

News Release

Black-Jew Dialogues at U of M Crookston on Wed., Oct. 5, 2011; Performance begins at 8 p.m. in Kiehle Auditorium

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The Black-Jew Dialogues will be performed at the University of Minnesota, Crookston Kiehle Auditorium on Wednesday, October 5, 2011, at 8 p.m. The energetic and captivating two-actor play examines prejudice and racism with the goal of reuniting cultures and makes the audience think while being entertained. Cost for the event will be \$2 for non-UMC Students and \$5 for the public. UMC students should present their student ID at the door for free admission.

In The Black-Jew Dialogues, Larry Jay Tish and Ron Jones take the audience on a hysterical and poignant ride through three days they spent together in a cheap hotel room discussing their own experiences, the history of their people, and why there has been a growing rift between the two groups since the early 70's. Tish and Jones find humor in everything from the Jewish involvement in the Dutch slave trade to two rednecks on a joy ride of hate.

The show premiered at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in Scotland in August of 2006. In September 2007 it was the only American play invited to perform at the Leeds Jewish Performing Arts Festival in England. In the time between The Black-Jew Dialogues has been touring to universities, high schools, synagogues, and theatres throughout the US with great success.

The Black-Jew Dialogues combines fast-paced sketches, improvisations, and multi-media to create a show that has gained praise across the U.S. and the U.K. This performance is an exhilarating and insightful look at the state of race and cultural relations in America. You will learn as much as you laugh.

For more information visit www.theblackjewdialogues.com. The Black-Jew Dialogues are part of the weekly What's on Wednesday series which is hosted by Student Programming and Campus Entertainment (SPACE). Concerts & Lectures is co-sponsoring this event.

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